

Remarks

Applicant hereby files this amendment with respect to the statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter.

Pages 2-3 of the Notice of Allowability contain a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter. Applicant objects to and disagrees with such statements as including language not included in Applicant's claims. The patent statutes require claims to be presented and interpreted in accordance with what the Applicants regard as their invention. Accordingly, the claims must be read as Applicants regard them (as they are worded). The statements (e.g., see statements with respect to claims 13-19 and 24-26 in one example) as currently worded might be interpreted later as reading limitations into Applicants' claims which simply are not there. For example, "resource agent for receiving job result information, "printer" and "print job" do not appear in claims 13-19 and 24-26.

Applicant regards aspects of his invention as defined by the claims. MPEP §1302.14 (8<sup>th</sup> ed.) states, in part, that where specific reasons are recorded by the examiner, *care must be taken to ensure that such reasons are accurate, precise, and do not place unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow, upon the claims*. The examiner should keep in mind the possible misinterpretations of his or her statement that may be made and its possible estoppel effects.

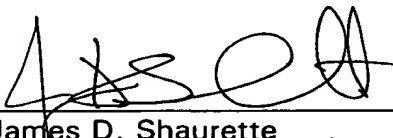
In accordance with the above, the Examiner must interpret the claims in accordance with their literal wording, and to the extent the Examiner has not already done so, such is mandated now. If the Examiner relies upon allowance based upon language not appearing in the claims, the Examiner must reject the claims and suggest insertion of such language. Then, Applicants can respond as they deem appropriate.

Allowance of the claims as literally worded is urged. If the Examiner disagrees with this just stated position, claim rejections are mandated. If no additional claim rejections are hereafter presented by the Office, the prosecution history of this application is to be interpreted as if the statement never existed or was withdrawn. If the Examiner disagrees with this just stated position, claim rejections are mandated.

The Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned if the Examiner believes such would facilitate prosecution of the present application. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation at any time during normal business hours (Pacific Time Zone).

Respectfully submitted,  
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